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Representative T.J. Shope Applauds Passage of Legislation to Extend Civil Statute of Limitations for Victims of Child Sex Abuse

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative T.J. Shope (R-8) today applauded the passage of legislation (HB 2466) to extend the civil statute of limitations for victims of child sex abuse.

In addition to extending the civil statute of limitations for victims of child sex abuse from age 20 to age 30, the bill includes a window until the end of 2020 for victims to file suit against their abusers.

“The agreement reached to extend the civil statute of limitations for victims of child sex abuse is good legislation that will allow victims more time to file suit against their abusers while at the same time providing safeguards for the innocent,” said Representative Shope. **“I applaud my colleagues for working through some very difficult issues to give victims of child sex abuse a greater voice and bringing Arizona’s law more in line with other states.”**

Representative Shope introduced a similar bill (HB 2746) this month in an attempt to forge a compromise on the issue and bring Arizona’s law in line with other states.

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